

Rhode Island's ESSA State Plan Committee of Practitioners

May 17, 2017 4 pm – 6 pm NEIT, Room <u>\$330</u>

Welcome

Today's Objectives:

As a result of this meeting, ESSA CoP members will:

- Give feedback on the classifications, goals, and standards/curricular supports recommendations
- Understand trends found within the public survey data

Today's Agenda:

- Welcome, introductions, and business
- Feedback discussions: classifications, goals, and standards/curricular supports
- Data review protocol
- Closing and next steps

Updates

- •6 Public forums: 84 Participants
- •Survey closed May 15th
- Requests for group engagement meetings to <u>Felicia.Brown@ride.ri.gov</u>
- Public comment period starts June 1
- Next month: review of full draft in meeting
- •August 16th: Follow up Committee of Practitioners meeting at RIDE 255 Westminster St. Providence

Feedback Discussions

Accountability

- Academic Standards
- Classification
- Accountability Index
- State Goals

Input Questions

Classification

- 1. How might the shift from away from a Composite Index Score support school improvement conversations? Are there any unintended consequences?
- 2. How is equity supported in our accountability system? Are there ways to strengthen that focus?
- 3. What would a classification mean to a parent, teacher, student, community member, or administrator? How does the proposed classification system promote collective responsibility for each of these?

Goals

- 1. Is it reasonable to expect that 75% of RI's students reach proficiency? What concerns might there be about this number being too high or leaving out some students?
- 2. What might the proposed goals be used for in the field? By the community? What might we do to utilize these goals as motivation for collective responsibility and continuous improvement?
- 3. What messaging would be important to include about why it is important to ensure that students are making progress in learning English?

Standards

- 1. In what ways are the content standards helping students meet high expectations?
- 2. How can we better support teachers and students to meet the content standards in all areas?

ESSA Public Survey: Data Review and Analysis

Survey Overview

4 surveys: 400+ active responses

- Supporting All Students 12 Questions
- Accountability and Report Cards 8 Questions
- Supporting Educators and Leaders 8 Questions
- School Improvement 6 Questions

Communication:

- Email blasts
- Public forums
- Field memo
- Website and social media

Participants:

- Parents
- Students
- Teachers

- District or school administrators
- Community members
- Policy makers

Data Review Process

Purpose: To understand the trends in the public survey data and use this knowledge to ensure that the state plan is responsive to the public concerns and needs

Groupings:

- Supporting All Students
- Accountability and Report Cards
- Supporting Educators and Leaders
- School Improvement

Materials:

- Copies of select data from survey results per section
- Copies of the conceptual recommendations for each section
- Highlighters
- Flip chart paper and markers to record conclusions

Data Review Protocol

- **Step 1: What parts of this data catch your attention? (15 minutes)**
- Step 2: What does the data tell us? What does the data NOT tell us? (10 minutes)
- **Step 3: What data supports the current recommendation? (5 minutes)**
- Step 4: What misalignments with current recommendations are suggested by the data? (5 minutes)
- Step 5: What are our key conclusions? What 3-5 suggestions does the team have for ensuring that the voice of the public is incorporated in the next draft of the ESSA state plan? (10 minutes)
- Step 6: Report Out (10 minutes)

Closing and Next Steps

Thank you!

What's next?

Follow up email will contain:

- Link to materials from this meeting
- Solicit support for spreading the word about public comment period
- A request to review the final draft prior to the June meeting

Next meeting: June 14, 2017

4-6 pm at New England Tech
One New England Tech Boulevard, Room **S216** East Greenwich, RI
Input Topic: Comment on Full Draft of ESSA State Plan

Questions or concerns?

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